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POSITION OF PHD IN FINANCE / ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology (JOUST) is offering one PhD position for research on governance and grassroots financial innovations for inclusive economic growth in informal settlements of Kenyan cities. This is based on research funding received from Danida to undertake research on Social Entrepreneurship and Grassroots Financial Innovations. The successful candidate is expected to work together with researchers in the project to produce a rich study on the governance practices, impacts and diffusion of grassroots innovations, which are developing financial and monetary infrastructures for inclusive economic growth among low-income micro-entrepreneurs delivering critical services and goods in urban informal settlements. The project aims to develop theory at the intersection of social entrepreneurship, monetary theory and urban studies through qualitative and participatory methodologies.

The project activities will be informed by the existing innovative social entrepreneurship and financial practices in the informal settlements of Kenya's three major cities (Mombasa, Nairobi and Kisumu).

Eligibility/Entry requirements

To be qualified, the applicant must hold a master's degree in Business and /or Economics with proven knowledge in financial management, business entrepreneurship and social sciences.

The candidate must also meet the specific entry requirements for a doctoral degree (PhD) in Finance / Entrepreneurship of Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology (JOUST).

Basis of assessment

Particular emphasis will be on the following:

- Academic merits, particularly at the Master's level
- Bachelor and Master theses (with special importance attached to the master thesis)
- The submitted research plan
- Other merits and distinctions which attest to the applicant's ability to perform in the PhD programme

Applicants must possess very high proficiency in English, in speech and writing. Knowledge to interact with residents in informal settlements is a strong merit.

Type of scholarship

The PhD scholarship is a three-year full-time study at Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology (JOUST), Kenya. However, the scholarship will be awarded annually and renewed

twice based on the candidate's progress reports given at the end of every year. A monthly stipend will be offered to the successful candidate.

Application procedure

Your application should be written in English and contain the following documents:

- A dully filled up PhD application form from the Directorate of Post Graduate Studies at JOOUST.
- Letter of introduction
- Curriculum Vitae
- A written concept not more than 3 pages that includes a review of the relevant literature in social entrepreneurship and monetary grassroots innovation
- Certificates of your Bachelor's and Master's degrees
- Copy of your Master's thesis, and, where appropriate, your Bachelor's thesis
- Reference from two individuals who are qualified to evaluate your research capabilities. Letters of reference should be sent directly by the referee.
- Copies of certificates and copies of any other documents that you wish to include in your application

All hardcopies of the application documents must be attested as to their authenticity, and should reach the Director Centre for Research, Innovation and Outreach (CRIT) latest by 27th May 2019 through the above address.

Softcopies of the documents should be sent in pdf format to dcrit@jooust.ac.ke and copied to moloko@jooust.ac.ke